



# April Newsletter

## Sequim Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter

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Church Workbee

by John Werner

A big thank you to those who were able to take part in the church workbee on Sunday, March 17. Here are just a couple of pictures of some helpers.



I am looking for a travel trailer to rent July 26 - August 4 (Hope campmeeting). If you know of one, please let me know. 206 550 5378  
Thanks, Carol Meier

Looking for RV storage space to rent. Enclosed, secure, 28 - 30 feet long and 12 feet wide. This would be for a boat on a trailer. Please call Harvey at 509-833-8869

Thank You    by Aimee (8th), Isa (8th), Ella (8th) and Jasmin (7th)

Thank you for letting us have our 8th grade fundraiser at your church. It's a blessing that you let us use your kitchen. We appreciate all your donations. We thank you all for coming. It meant a lot. We will also go to the Wild Waves Theme and Water Park this summer. Some of the money will fund a class gift for the school.



**Pathfinders****by Twyla Luke**

We are moving swiftly towards the end of the year. We are wrapping up our yearly knot tying sessions which are always a challenge! The kids have been real troupers this year! We will be starting Pinewood Derby Cars soon! Mark will host the kids in his garage to make their cars to race at the fair in Auburn at the end of April. We will spend the month working on the cars and marching in preparation for the Fair!

We would like to thank everyone who generously donated to the Pathfinders Wyoming Trip at the Werner's Travelogue! People were generous and we earned another \$500 towards the trip! We are closing in on our goals for the trip and we appreciate everyone's support!

**Nominating Committee****by Jay Richmond**

The nomination of church ministry leaders will soon be underway. The upcoming Nominating Committee will need our prayers as they select our leaders. A helpful tool in guiding this Committee is the Ministry Preference form. Now is a good time to prayerfully consider where God would like to serve these next two years. When the form becomes available, please take the time to fill it out and return to church office.

**Student Sponsorship****by Mary Thayne**

Do you feel as if you need refreshing?

Try a Biblical cure to open your heart and give you new energy. Take on a new project such as supporting the Student Sponsorship Fund if you have not already done so.

As you might remember, this fund helps students attend Peninsula Adventist Elementary School. The tuition is more expensive than some families can afford. So they need a little help. In fact, some need a lot of help. We have a lot of students receiving help this year. And our reserves are gradually being eaten up. We have never run out of money. And I am sure that we won't this year, But we need additional help.

In some churches, this fund is called student aid or worthy student fund. Many years ago the then pastor said, "All students are worthy. But some need help. So let's sponsor them."

**"A generous man  
will prosper; he  
who refreshes  
others will himself  
be refreshed."  
Proverbs 11:25**

**Library Corner****by Mary Thayne**

Some interesting books have been added to our collection.

The Autobiography of Elder Joseph Bates: Embracing A Long Life on Shiiipboard with Sketches of Voyages on the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, the Baltic and Mediterranean Seas, etc.

The Family That Had Everything (But Money) by Ruth McLin. A true story of Ruth's family during the depression of the thirties.

Pride & Seek: An Unexpected Spiritual Journey by Seth J. Pirece. His experiences in a charismatic church.

What's to Know? On the Journey From Egypt to Canaan. by Gordon Gosset. What can we learn from the exodus?

A Friend in High Places. Travel & Adventure with God, Angels and Prayer. by Charles Pointon. The story of a group of college students at Avondale College who raise money for poor children.

## An African Adventure

by Merwin Stewart

Who could imagine it would be possible to go on a safari without leaving Sequim? John and Cecelia Werner made it happen on Saturday evening, March 9, with a photographic journey for almost 70 attendees in the Sequim Adventist Church fellowship room. The entryway to the event contained the small-scale replica of a native reed hut, illuminated in the darkness by electric candles. A gorilla and monkey perched on the roof to greet anyone courageous enough to enter the



event. Beyond the hut, the fellowship room dining tables were decorated with hippos, elephants, giraffes, and a variety of bugs. Small huts also occupied space in the center of each table along with baskets of nuts and mints. Large panoramic African landscapes hung from the walls at the sides of the room. The scent of freshly popped corn filled the air.

The program began with a short vesper's worship message about the biblical character, Caleb, provided by Pastor Mark. Following vespers, a short presentation was provided by Rick Serns, one of our attending guests, about the SAGE organization and its opportunities for active seniors interested in short-term mission trips. Rick described activities such as church and school building projects in various locations around the world.

Once Pastor Mark introduced John and Cecelia Werner, all those in attendance were transported visually to the deserts of Africa. We saw pictures of those who had traveled to the medical clinic where John and Cecelia treated them for a variety of diseases and injuries. Many natives had traveled long distances to receive relief from their medical conditions. The Werners described the challenges and difficulties of being located in such a remote area from essential supplies such as medicines, adequate amounts of food, and services for the maintenance and repair of equipment.

During the program, the Pathfinders served attendees at each table with dessert torts featuring three flavors: lemon, pistachio, or chocolate.

The photographic portion of the program concluded with an opportunity for those in attendance to ask Werners specific questions about their experiences in Africa. This event would not have been possible without the generous help of many individuals such as Jay Richmond's announcements and church foyer poster, Terri Durham's and Donna Wood's kitchen assistance, Karen Iverson's sound system operation, Twyla Luke's leadership of the Pathfinder group, the social committee member's decorative work and food preparation, and the use of Eloise Gatchet's kitchen carts. Our Sequim church is blessed to have members such as John and Cecelia Werner who were willing to prepare a fascinating presentation of their missionary journey to a place very few of



us will ever be able to physically visit. Special thanks to them for their years of service in a land so far away and so much in need of the medical help they were able to provide.



**Adventurers**

by Kathy Mitchell

Hope all of you are enjoying the feel of approaching Spring! Once we get used to the time change, the rest is wonderful. Otters love Spring! We were so excited to get three new Otters in our club last week!

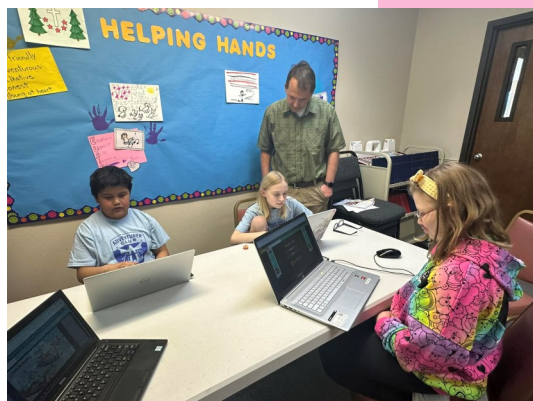
Our first meeting of March we learned all things friends! The Little Lambs learned about our very BEST friend, Jesus and how important it is to spend time with Him, your friend. Then they made a poster, signing it with their handprints to say they want Jesus as their best friend. Did you know that when you are a good friend to those around you, you are being a good friend to Jesus? It's a great way to make Him smile too! The Helping Hands class learned what it means to be a Caring Friend. They took turns interviewing each other and trying to learn things they didn't know about each other and then went up front and introduced our "friend" to the class. Just being a good listener is a great first step in being a good friend. Then they played charades showing different ways to care. We were challenged to visit a friend who was shut in and really in need of a caring friend. Do you know anyone who really needs a visit? I challenge you to go make their day. Then the whole group played a game like musical chairs, only instead of knocking others out of the game, we invited them in our circle to stay in the game. Nobody was sad because they were out, a nice twist.



Our second meeting, the Lambs class worked on their Healthy Me badge. They learned all about their bodies outside and in. We sure have a lot of parts! They had fun listening to their heartbeats on a stethoscope and hearing the big difference after you run around the room. They also got to use blood pressure cuffs. God designed a most amazing machine when he made us! The Helping Hands class talked and learned about Technology. We were blessed to have Elsie's Dad, Jim McClure, teach our class. He knows quite a bit about computers and he showed each one, on their own laptop, several fun games you can play that help you learn where the keys are, and how you can challenge yourself to type faster. Us "older" folks, enjoyed playing them too. Then they each drew a picture to print, and wrote a letter. We learned how technology can be so helpful to us, but also there is a very serious side to learn about as well. There are many in the world that can try to do us harm on a computer if we don't learn what to watch for, what never to give out to anyone, especially a stranger on the internet. And never without talking to your parents first! We can also cause someone a lot of hurt by what we say on the computer, and if somebody bullies you, always tell your parents.

Each Otter in this class went home with a pledge to read with their parents and sign, all about computer safety. Thanks so much Jim for teaching this important class! We ended the day with a crazy game of Please Mr. Crocodile!

Can't believe we are down to our last two months already, we have a lot packed in to them, stay tuned!



### Hands On Plant-Based Cooking Class

by Heather Reseck



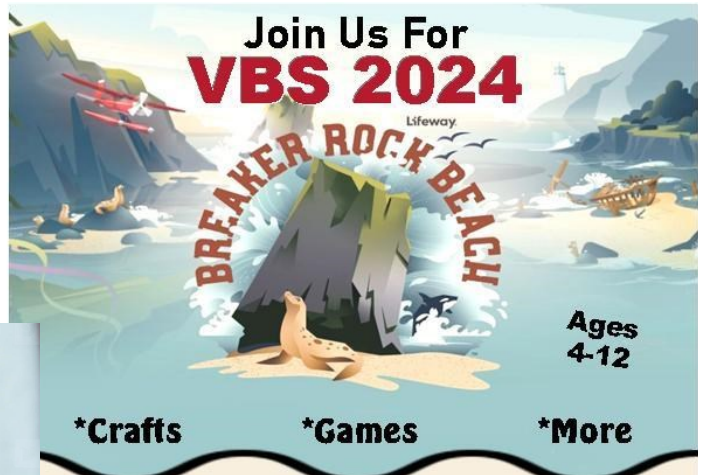
Cooking Class with Heather Reseck will be at the Sequim Adventist Church every other month on the fourth Monday beginning April 22. Heather Reseck is a registered dietitian nutritionist on a mission to help you gain confidence and save time with whole-food plant-based cooking and meal prep. April's class is *Taste of Thai* Plant-Based Cooking Class. Monday, April 22, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Join us to learn how to create the authentic taste of Thai cuisine without fish sauce. Whether you're a seasoned cook or

new to plant-based cooking, this class promises a flavorful culinary adventure into the world of plant-based Thai cooking. Learn more and register at [HeatherReseck.com/classes](https://HeatherReseck.com/classes). Enter coupon code SDA20 for 20% off. Make sure you sign up for Sequim class. (She also offers classes in Port Townsend.) Visit her Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/VeggieMakeovers](https://www.facebook.com/VeggieMakeovers)

Heather will need volunteers to make this a success, six helpers per class. If you are able to help, please contact Heather at 360-301-2204, [heather.reseck@gmail.com](mailto:heather.reseck@gmail.com).

### April Birthdays

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| 7 Cindy Bacon     | 19 Sheri McDaniel |
| 10 Stelle Knauff  | 19 Kim Stober     |
| 16 Xaiyah Johnson | 23 Jesse O'Dell   |
| 17 Mary Thayne    | 24 Lynn Berg      |
| 19 Linda Bauer    | 28 Delores Mead   |
| 19 Ella Luke      | 28 Lila Petroff   |
|                   | 28 Chris Pulley   |



Sequim MOMCo is Free

**1st and 3rd Wednesdays**  
9-11:30 AM  
**Sequim Adventist Church**  
30 Sanford Lane  
FMI 360 683 7373

Free Childcare

**July 22-27**  
**6 - 8 pm**  
**Sequim Adventist Church**  
30 Sanford Lane Sequim

**Pre-Register:**  
**360-683-7373**



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## Peninsula Adventist Elementary School Newsletter

### Managing Editor: Silas Ellison (6th) and Elora Wilson (5th)

#### **Gym Night** by Silas (6th) and Aimee (8th)

We had our first open gym night at the school! It was great fun, we had snacks and desserts. There were lots of games and volleyball in the gym. For snacks we had popcorn, cream cheese veggie rolls, soda, chips and Cookies. They were all provided by the Woods family. It was a fun event for the church, school, family and guests to all get together. The volleyball was a hit. Our church and school members including family, friends had the best time. We started out with worship, singing in our classroom. It was fun singing hymns with the help of our technology team putting lyrics on the smart board. We had games in the math room, so the little kids had fun too. We had the event till 9:00 o'clock. We look forward to doing this again!

#### **Students of the Month**

Penelope Allwine is our student of the month!!!

Penelope is a friendly girl who loves gardening and horses. She loves recess and unicorn everything. Butterflies are her favorite insect. She also likes dragonflies. Her favorite thing to do at school is to play outside. Penelope is great at art and has a spunky spirit. We love having Penelope in our class.  
- Mrs. Smith



Isa Salazar was chosen as student of the month, because she stepped up when I needed a soccer coach for PE. Isa was well qualified for the position. She has nine years of experience in league soccer. She did an amazing job! She was able to lead in drills and skill building, along with coaching as we started playing games. She also taught the littles how to play soccer! Thank you so much for sharing your gift!  
- Ms. Berg



#### **What's Happening** by Aimee (8th) and Elyssa (6th)

A lot of new stuff is happening in our school! We are really excited to talk about the new changes. Lately the school has been so peaceful, and everyone gets along perfectly. We are happy to announce that we have vigorous PE including soccer, volleyball, bowling, baseball and at the end of the year our track unit. We are working on our research projects and using our Chromebooks. Our school has changed a lot ever since the start of the school year with some drama, but, we are now drama free!

#### **Help Wanted** by Liam (4th) and Jeremiah (3rd)

We need a lot of help! We need more toys for the little kids' prize box. We really need items to make the box more fun and more interesting items. So if you have anything in mind to donate, please do as soon as possible. We also need people to volunteer for math of all ages and reading for K-2. We also need makers for K for their projects. Thanks!

**Interviewing Twyla Luke****by Jasmin (7th) and Aimee (8th)**

**How many years did you attend the school?** I attended six years and a third.

**What year did you start?** 1974

**What was something you liked to do?** I loved playing Floor Hockey.

**What was something you didn't like?** I didn't like to write the dictionary pages.

**Has the school changed over the years?** Yes. It is smaller.

**What was your favorite subject?** Geography (Especially Maps)

**Introducing 6th Grade****by Elora (5th) and Aimee (8th)**

Name: Elyssa Cunningham

Favorite food and drink: pizza and water

Favorite movie: The Fault in Our Stars

Favorite hobby: sleeping

Favorite store: Walmart

Favorite article of clothing: her clothes

Favorite item: phone

Favorite Person: Parents



Name: Silas Ellison

Favorite movie: Jesus Revolution

Favorite food and drink: pizza and sprite

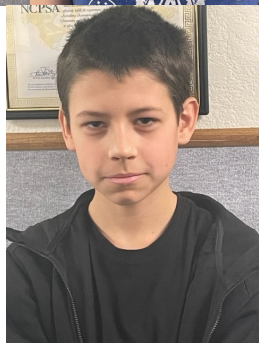
Favorite hobby: building stuff in garage

Favorite store: coastals

Favorite article of clothing: baggy clothes

Favorite item: hammer

Favorite person: Andrew

**Thank You Article****By: Jasmin/Keaton**

Thank you Pastor Mark for leading and helping the Men's Group. Thank you Pastor Jay for helping on driving the van back and forth. Thank you Jenni for also helping by driving the van back and forth. Thank you Ms. Alisi for volunteering on driving the van. Thank you Jim for helping driving the van. Thanks Stelle for covering lunch for Ms. Berg while she leads Girls Group. Thank you everyone for volunteering and helping each other so this school (PAES) can keep going!

**Slime article****By: Isa/Jasmin/Elsie**

On February 21st, 2024 Jasmin Cortez volunteered to lead our new event called Discovery Day. This is an opportunity for prospective families to bring their children to check out our school. The little ones watched all the steps on how to make the stretchy slime. And they each got to take home a sample. Quote from one of the kindergarteners (Lily-ann) "It was good and I loved it!"

**Girl's Group****by Elsie (4th) and Skyler (4th)**

Girls group is a safe place for us girls and woman to talk to each other. We feel very safe and comfortable there. We feel like we are safe and can trust each other. We love it. It is a choice to go to girls group. What comes in the room stays in the room. If you want to know who is in it, there is Skyler (4th), Elsie(4th), Aimee (8th), Elora (5th), Isa (8th) and Ms..Berg (teacher). Here is a quote from Aimee (8th), "We trust in each other in keeping our mascara dry!"

**Soccer****by Elyssa (6th), Liam (4th) and Skyler (4th)**

Student Isabella Salazar has been teaching and coaching soccer to all the students with her assistant, Jasmin Cortez. Many students have improved due to the strategies and hard work they put us through.

Here is a quote from Elsie McClure (4th), "It is very fun, and I like being taught soccer." Jasmin the assistant coach (7th) states, "It's fun I learned new things." And lastly Isabella Salazar (8th) commented, "It takes a lot of patience working with, and teaching the kids but we have fun."

# April 2024 Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 <i>ACS</i> <b>10am-12pm</b>	3 <i>No MOMCo Meeting</i>	4	5	6 <i>Fellowship Meal</i> <b>12:30pm</b>
<b>PAES Spring Break, April 1-5</b> <b>Pastor's Vacation, April 1-4</b>						
7	8 <i>School Board Meeting</i> <b>6:30pm</b>	9	10	11 <i>Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b>	12	13 <i>Communion</i> <b>10:50am</b> <i>Shape Note Singing</i> <b>3:00pm</b>
14 <i>Adventurer Meeting</i>	15 <i>Church Board Meeting</i> <b>6:30pm</b>	16 <i>ACS</i> <b>10am-12pm</b>	17 <i>MOMCo Meeting</i> <b>9:00-11:30am</b>	18 <i>Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b>	19	20 <i>Children's Church Fellowship Meal</i> <i>Adventurers</i>
21	22 <i>Cooking Class with Heather Reseck</i> <b>4:30-7:30pm</b>	23	24	25 <i>Pathfinders</i> <b>6:30pm</b>	26	27 <i>Safety Sabbath</i>
<b>Jay's Vacation, April 22-24</b>						
28	29 <i>Health Class: Exercise</i>	30		<u>Upcoming Events</u> <b>May 22 PAES Year End Picnic</b> <b>May 29 PAES 8th Grade Graduation</b> <b>June 17-22 Washington Camp Meeting</b>		

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